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Where Are They Now: Lt. Dwight Hampton

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Editors Note: The Bureau of Medicine and Surgery's Diversity Office is highlighting junior and senior enlisted officers with various backgrounds that have greatly contributed to Navy Medicine as well as achieved personal successes. These officers wanted to share their stories in hopes to pass along inspiration to the next generation of Navy Medicine officers.

By Jasmine Smith, Diversity Intern



Lt. Dwight Hampton has achieved many personal accomplishments in his military career, making an impact on Navy Medicine as one of the few African-American male nurses. He enlisted in 1990, just two weeks after graduating high school. He quickly progressed from seaman recruit to being selected as quartermaster chief petty officer in twelve short years.

The Medical Enlisted Commissioning Program (MECP) was recommended to Lt. Hampton by a Navy Medicine family nurse practitioner when he was stationed at the Naval Nuclear Power Training Unit (NPTU) in Charleston, S.C. He was competitively selected for MECP and attended Howard University's Nursing School, graduating in 2005. Nursing has always been

his ideal career choice.

"Nursing provides me the opportunity to give back to my military family while helping the Navy meet the mission," said Lt. Dwight Hampton. "When our Sailors, Marines, Soldiers and Airmen are healthy they can serve and complete their missions. When they are deployed and they know that their families are being taken care of, they can focus on their safety and jobs."

In his role with the U.S. Navy Bureau of Medicine and Surgery's (BUMED) Medical Home Port (MHP) Hampton has facilitated team-based practice training at nearly all of Navy Medicine's medical treatment facilities (MTF) globally.

This training is vital to ensuring patient-centered medical care is the top mission focus at Navy Medicine's MTFs. His audience consists of a range of personnel that provide quality care for patients or make valued business decisions, including: physicians, nurses, medical assistants, hospital corpsmen, clerks, and administrators.

The team-based training focuses on "strategies for success" to improve team and patient communication. Currently, he is working with 53 naval clinics, seeking recognition by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA), and BUMED's MHP Program

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Management Office in “revising the Medical Home Port track of Clinic Manager’s Course curriculum.” He recently returned from a site visit to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba to conduct training and plans to apply for Duty Under Instruction (DUINS) to earn a third master’s degree after his three-year tour at BUMED.

When asked why he chose Navy Medicine with a focus on nursing, he stated “Being in a position where I am able to have an impact on Navy Medicine through implementation of the Patient-Centered Medical Home model of providing care to our beneficiaries (inspired me).” Nursing serves as a community service where he can “make a difference and give back to the community.”

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